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SUBJECT: NMFS PUBLICATIONS

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1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE PUBLISHES THE NEW YORK EDITION OF MARKET NEWS ("GREEN SHEET") AND HAS POUCHED A BROCHURE WHICH EXPLAINS HOW TO SUBSCRIBE. THE PUBLICATION IS ISSUED THREE TIMES WEEKLY, OR AS A SINGLE WEEKLY SUMMARY, AND CONTAINS SUCH DETAILED INFORMATION THAT PASSAGE TO THE EMBASSY BY CABLE WOULD NOT BE PRACTICAL. THE EMBASSY CAN SUBSCRIBE, HOWEVER, BY POUCH. MALDIVIAN AGENCIES CAN ALSO SUBSCRIBE DIRECTLY IF THEY PROVIDE A U.S. ADDRESS.

2. THE EMBASSY MIGHT INFORM THE MALDIVIAN AUTHORITIES THAT THEY MAY ALSO WANT TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE TERMINAL ISLAND EDITION OF MARKET NEWS ("BUFF SHEET") WHICH, AMONG OTHER
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SPECIES, CONTAINS INFORMATION ON TUNA PRICES AND LANDINGS.

3. NMFS HAS ALSO POUCHED RECENT COPIES OF THE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK REPORTS FOR SHRIMP, FOODFISH, AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS. NMFS WOULD BE GLAD TO PUT THE EMBASSY AND/OR A

MALDIVIAN AGENCY ON THE MAILING LIST FOR THESE PUBLI-

CATIONS. PLEASE ADVISE NMFS ON THIS MATTER.

4. A GREAT DEAL OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE, INCLUDING LISTS OF U.S. IMPORTERS, IMPORT REGULATIONS, TECHNICAL FISHERY STUDIES, MOVIES AVAILABLE ON LOAN, FISHERY POSTERS ETC. NMFS WOULD BE WILLING TO POUCH THIS INFORMATION TO THE EMBASSY IF IT WOULD BE USEFUL.

5. IN EXCHANGE, NMFS WOULD APPRECIATE THE FOLLOWING:

- A. AN ORGANIZATION CHART OF THE MALDIVIAN FISHERY AGENCY.
- B. A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF MALDIVIAN FISHERY PUBLICATIONS.
- C. A COPY OF THE MOST RECENT GOVERNMENT ANNUAL FISHERY REPORT AND NMFS'S INCLUSION ON THE MAILING LIST FOR FUTURE ISSUES.
- D. ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON GOVERNMENT PLANS TO DEVELOP THE FISHING INDUSTRY.
- E. COPIES OF REGULATIONS RELATING TO JOINT VENTURES AND FOREIGN FISHING IN MALDIVIAN-CLAIMED WATERS.

6. NMFS PROVIDES INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE EXPORT AND INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO U.S. COMPANIES. ANY TRADE LEADS FOR THE SALE OF VESSELS, PROCESSING EQUIPMENT, FISHING GEAR, AND ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT OR INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURE PARTNERSHIPS WOULD BE OF GREAT INTEREST.

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